From: Mueller, Raymond
To: Jim Gerber
Subject: Re: Oppose Bill to Balloon City Costs
Date: Monday, May 01, 2017 11:01:18 AM

Thank you for your email Jim.

We rarely vote positions on pending Bills in front of the state legislature, but I agree AB1250 should be added to our City Council agenda. I will raise the issue of adding it on Tuesday night. Kirsten Keith, who is serving as the City's mayor this year, ultimately is in charge of selecting what items are placed on our agenda. She traveling out of the country and won't be at the meeting Tuesday, so it may be a few weeks before we gain confirmation it will be added to an agenda in the future.

With best regards,
Ray

From: Jim Gerber <jimmyg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 10:46 AM
To: _CCIN
Subject: Fwd: Oppose Bill to Balloon City Costs

I agree wholeheartedly with Lee that AB1250 should be actively opposed by the city, and must be defeated.

Jim Gerber
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From: "Menlo Park's Future" <menlofuture@gmail.com>
Date: Apr 30, 2017 6:09 PM
Subject: Oppose Bill to Balloon City Costs
To: "Menlo Park's Future" <menlofuture@menlofuture.talklist.com>
Cc:

> Oppose Bill to Balloon City Costs
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> Fellow Residents,
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> Why isn't our City Council supporting their organization, the League of California Cities, and actively opposing AB 1250?
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> This bill would essentially eliminate all contracted services, increase the number of unionized public employees, increase costs and pension liabilities and further burden cities with a plethora of new regulations.

Urging action, the The League of California Cities writes:

> The workload, privacy concerns, costs and litigation created by this measure places an overwhelming and significant burden on nearly every city department and would create a de facto ban on virtually all contracting services. [think tree trimming, Outstanding Swim Program, many recreational programs, legal services, consultants etc etc.]

This bill was described in an editorial by the Mercury News as a

> Union-Sponsored Bill with the clear intent: Increasing the number of public employees, who would be members of unions, rather than looking at outside services that could be more cost-effective.

On Tuesday, our City Council will vote to support bills that regulate marijuana consumption and impairment while driving. An easy no brainer which everyone will support.

The question is: Why isn't AB 1250, called a HOT bill by the League, also on the agenda and getting the same attention?

If you agree that AB1250 must be actively defeated, let city council members and the city manager know by emailing city.council@menlopark.org.

Thanks, and sincerely, Lee Duboc (menlofuture@gmail.com)

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